WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 995

IN THE MATTER OF:		Served November	28, 1969	
Application of D. C. Transit System, Inc., for Authority to Increase Fares.))	Application No.	226	
		Docket No. 32		
Application of D. C. Transit System, Inc., for Authority to)	Application No.	344	
Increase Fares.	j	Docket No. 101		

In Order No. 981, issued October 17, 1969, we set out our findings and conclusions in the matters remanded to us in <u>Williams</u>, et al. v. <u>WMATC</u>, 415 F2d 901 (1968), cert denied 89 S. Ct. 860. Protestants, on October 30, 1969, filed an application for reconsideration of that order which alleged numerous errors by the Commission as grounds for reconsideration. We heard oral argument on the application in two sessions on November 10 and 20, 1969. Transit also filed an application for reconsideration on November 17, 1969, alleging various Commission errors.

We have carefully reviewed the allegations presented in these applications for reconsideration and conclude that we will not grant them. However, in the ten days since the oral argument, we have not been able to prepare a full opinion detailing the reasons for our action. Under Section 16 of the Compact, we are required to either grant or deny an application for reconsideration within 30 days after its filing. Therefore, we will deny the applications today and issue an opinion stating our reasons, in due course.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the applications for reconsideration of Order No. 981 filed by protestants Richard A. Williams, Alfred S. Trask, Democratic Central Committee of the District of Columbia, Leonard N. Bebchick and Daniel W. Gottlieb on October 30, 1969, and by D. C. Transit System, Inc., on November 17, 1969, be, and they are hereby, denied.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

MELVIN E. LEWIS

Executive Director